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| <b>REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL</b><br><br><i>Submit an original, and a duplicate for fee processing.</i><br><br><i>Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000, provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995.</i><br><br><i>See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA)</i> | <i>Application No.</i>        | 10/051,752           |
|   | <i>Filing Date</i>            | January 16, 2002     |
|   | <i>First Named Inventor</i>   | John D. Puskas       |
|   | <i>Group Art Unit</i>         | 3766                 |
|   | <i>Examiner Name</i>          | Carl Hernandez Layno |
|   | <i>Attorney Docket Number</i> | 065071-9052-04       |

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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. §1.114, of the above-identified application.

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| CLAIMS |                        |                                    |       |  |                         |             |                           |
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|        | (1)                    | (2)<br>CLAIMS<br>FILED WITH<br>RCE | (3)   | (4)<br>HIGHEST NO.<br>PREVIOUSLY<br>PAID FOR | (5)<br>PRESENT<br>EXTRA | (6)<br>RATE | (7)<br>BASIC FEE<br>\$790 |
|        | TOTAL<br>CLAIMS        | 0                                  | MINUS | 20   | 0                       | X \$50      | 0.00                      |
|        | INDEP.<br>CLAIMS       | 0                                  | MINUS | 3  | 0                       | X \$200     | 0.00                      |
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